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August 28, 2014 Commission Meeting

**Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Regulations:
Responses to Public Comment on Selected Sections**

Summary: The 45-day public comment period on the MHSOAC proposed PEI regulations closed at 5:00 p.m. on July 24, 2014. Due to the large volume of comments received and the short time frame between the end of the comment period and the August Commission meeting, the presentation to the Commission of the public comments will be divided into several Commission meetings.

At the August 28, 2014 meeting, the Commission will be presented with the public comments on proposed PEI regulations Sections 3705 through 3740 only. The Commission will be presented with Staff's recommended responses to the public comments, including proposed modifications to the language of a few sections within this series of sections and the rationale for the modifications. The enclosed document, "Matrix of Public Comments with Staff's Recommended Responses" contains information only on proposed sections 3705 through 3740 and is structured to provide the information that the Office of Administrative Law (OAL) needs: public comment, the response (i.e. accept or reject comment), the action taken (i.e. changes to the language in the regulations), and rationale for the response.

The MHSOAC will vote on whether to accept Staff's recommendations to: (1) reject the changes suggested by the public comments; and (2) accept the suggestions and modify the

language of the proposed regulation sections. The enclosed document, "Process for the August 28, 2014 MHSOAC Meeting" provides a step-by-step description of the decision making process.

Because the enclosed Matrix of Public Comments and Staff's Recommendations is a very lengthy document and since there are only a few recommended changes to the proposed language of the regulations, enclosed is a document that shows just the recommended changes to the few sections within the 3705 through 3740 series. For your convenience enclosed is a copy of the original proposed PEI regulations that were approved by the Commission and published by OAL in the Notice Registry.

Enclosures: (1) Matrix of Public Comments with Staff's Recommended Responses for Sections 3705-3740; (2) Index of Public Comments; (3) Process for the August 28, 2014 MHSOAC Meeting; (4) Timeline for Adoption of Proposed PEI and INN Regulations; (5) Proposed PEI regulations as published by OAL; and (6) Recommended Changes to Proposed PEI Sections 3705-3740

Handouts: Power Point handout will be made available at the meeting.

Recommended Action: Accept Staff's recommendations

Presenters: Filomena Yeroshek, Chief Counsel; and Dr. Deborah Lee, Consulting Psychologist

Motion: The Commission accepts Staff's recommendations to the public comments received during the 45-day comment period as set forth in the Matrix of Public Comments with Staff's Recommended Responses to Proposed Prevention and Early Intervention Regulations Sections 3705 through 3740.